24 WORLD SAVINGS, INC.; WACHOVIA

EQUITY SERVICING, LLC; 25 WACHOVIA BANK, N.A.; WACHOVIA CORPORATION; and Does 1 through 10, 26

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TO THE CLERK OF THE ABOVE-ENTITLED COURT:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Defendants Wachovia Financial Services, Inc.; Wachovia Mortgage Corporation; Wachovia Shared Resources, LLC (erroneously sued as its predecessor-in-interest Wachovia Services, Inc.); World Mortgage Company; Wachovia Commercial Mortgage, Inc.; World Savings, Inc.; Wachovia Equity Servicing, LLC; Wachovia Bank, N.A.; and Wachovia Corporation (herein "Defendants") hereby remove the abovecaptioned matter, which was commenced as Case Number RG08368375 in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Alameda, to the United States District Court for the Northern District of California pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331(d), 1441 and 1453. This Court has original subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005 ("CAFA"), codified in part at 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(d) and 1453.

Indeed, on the day that Plaintiff Ronald Chin filed the instant action in state court, he also filed a virtually identical separate complaint in federal court in this district affirmatively alleging subject matter jurisdiction under CAFA. Ronald Chin v. Wachovia Financial Services, Inc., et al., N.D. Cal. CV08-0684-CW (filed January 29, 2008). Both the federal and the state court complaint are premised on the exact same factual allegations and seek the same damages and relief, i.e., unpaid wages and actual and consequential damages. See Complaint in N.D. Cal. CV08-0684-CW ("Federal Complaint") at pp. 17-18 (seeking "general unpaid wages at overtime wage rates" and "actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages"); see Complaint in Ronald Chin v. Wachovia Financial Services, Inc., et al., Alameda Superior Court, No. RG08368375 ("State Complaint") at pp. 14-16 (seeking "general unpaid wages at overtime wage rates" and "actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages"). In essence, both actions are filed on behalf of the same employees against the same Defendants. Both actions are socalled "off the clock" cases in which Plaintiff contends that he and others were properly classified as non-exempt employees but were not paid properly for all of the hours that each of them individually worked. In other words, the underlying factual allegations are exactly the same and only the causes of action vary. As shown below, just as the Court has subject matter jurisdiction under CAFA over the Federal Complaint (as Plaintiff alleges), it also has subject matter

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jurisdiction under CAFA over the related State Complaint.

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In support of their Notice of Removal, Defendants state the following:

1. Removal to this Court is proper because this Court has original subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005 ("CAFA"), codified in part at 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(d) and 1453. Under CAFA, a district court has original subject matter jurisdiction over any civil action in which (a) any of the plaintiffs is a citizen of a State different from any defendant; (b) the amount in controversy, including but not limited to the aggregate amount of relief on behalf of all plaintiffs, exceeds the sum or value of \$5,000,000; and (c) that is "filed under Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or similar State statute or rule of judicial procedure authorizing an action to be brought by 1 or more representative persons as a class action." See 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d)(1)(B), (2). This Court has jurisdiction over this action under CAFA.

Minimal Diversity:

2. Plaintiff Ronald Chin and several of the primary Defendants are citizens of different states. Plaintiff Ronald Chin is, and at all relevant times was, a citizen of the State of California and several of the named defendants are, and at all relevant times were, citizens of other states. For example, Wachovia Financial Services, Inc., Wachovia Mortgage Corporation, and Wachovia Corporation are all incorporated in North Carolina with their principal places of business in North Carolina, which makes them citizens of North Carolina. (By making this and the other statements contained herein, Defendants in no way concede that all of the Defendants were Plaintiff Chin's employers or that they are properly named in this action.)

Amount in Controversy:

3. The amount in controversy in this action exceeds \$5,000,000 in the aggregate, exclusive of interests and costs. (By making this and the other statements contained herein, Defendants in no way concede that Plaintiff Chin or any of the allegedly aggrieved employees he purports to represent are entitled to any recovery on any of the claims alleged; to the contrary, Defendants do and will dispute the instant claims in their entirety. Similarly, by making this and the other statements contained herein, Defendants in no way concede that either

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the Federal Complaint or the State Complaint is appropriate to proceed on a representative basis.) The analysis set forth below concerns only the amount that Plaintiff Chin has placed in controversy and is not in any way a concession of liability or applicable penalties. 1)

- In both the Federal Complaint and the State Complaint, Plaintiff alleges he worked as a "Loan Representative" for "Defendants" from August 2006 to February 2007, and that this position was a "non-exempt or hourly paid position." Federal Complaint ¶ 24; State Complaint ¶ 23. In his Federal Complaint, Plaintiff purports to bring claims on behalf of a putative class consisting of allegedly similarly situated non-exempt/hourly employees within California. Federal Complaint ¶ 20. In his State Complaint, Plaintiff purports to bring claims "individually, and on behalf of all others similarly situated, and as an aggrieved employee pursuant to the Private Attorneys General Act." State Complaint at p. 1 (caption). See also State Complaint ¶ 21.
- 5. As is evident, Plaintiff has attempted to split his claims -- all arising from the same facts, alleged against the same defendants, on behalf of the same employees -- into two different lawsuits, apparently to try to evade federal court jurisdiction over his closely related claims brought under the Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act ("PAGA"), California Labor Code § 2698 et seq. His improper attempt to split claims should not be countenanced as the claims in the State Complaint are essentially the same as his claims in the Federal Complaint, and the claims in both lawsuits should therefore be considered as a whole in determining the total amount in controversy. To rule otherwise would reward Plaintiff for improper claim splitting. Plaintiff alleges that the Federal Complaint meets the \$5,000,000 amount in controversy requirement under CAFA, and thus the related claims in the State Complaint, which are in large measure the same claims seeking the same damages, thus necessarily also meet the \$5,000,000 amount in controversy when considered with the claims in the Federal Complaint. Even when

A removal petition such as the instant pleading must, by rule, be a "short and plain statement of the grounds for removal." 28 U.S.C. § 1446(a). Defendants reserve their right to submit evidence in support of their factual allegations in response to any challenge to removal and federal jurisdiction in this matter. Cohn v. Petsmart, Inc., 281 F.3d 837, 840 n.1 (9th Cir. 2002); Conley v. Kemper Ins. Companies, Case No. C 05-02249 MJJ, 2005 WL 2230153 *2 fn. 1 (N.D.Cal. Sept. 12, 2005).

considered on a stand-alone basis, however, the claims in the State Complaint meet the \$5,000,000 amount in controversy requirement under CAFA.

- 6. Plaintiff alleges that he and others (i.e., putative class members in the Federal Complaint and "other aggrieved employees" in the State Complaint) were not paid overtime wages, were not paid wages owed to them upon discharge of employment, were not provided complete and accurate wage statements, were not provided mandated meal and rest periods, and were not paid regular and overtime wages within the time period specified under the Labor Code. Federal Complaint ¶ 27-31; State Complaint ¶ 26-30, 81.
- 7. In both the Federal Complaint and the State Complaint, Plaintiff seeks recovery of allegedly unpaid overtime and general consequential damages on behalf of, in the Federal Complaint, "all others similarly situated," and, in the State Complaint, "all other aggrieved employees similarly situated." *See* Federal Complaint at pp. 17-18 (seeking "general unpaid wages at overtime wage rates" and "actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages"); State Complaint at pp. 14-16 (seeking "general unpaid wages at overtime wage rates" and "actual, consequential, and incidental losses and damages"). Plaintiff alleges that the amount in controversy in the Federal Complaint exceeds \$5,000,000.
- 8. In addition to seeking allegedly unpaid overtime and general damages, in the State Complaint Plaintiff purports to seek penalties under PAGA. Plaintiff seeks PAGA penalties "on behalf of the State of California of which 75% will be kept by the state, while 25% will be available to aggrieved employees" (id. ¶21) for each aggrieved employee for each applicable pay period. Plaintiff seeks penalties in the amount of \$100 for each aggrieved employee per pay period for the alleged initial violation and \$200 for each aggrieved employee per pay period for each alleged subsequent violation, plus attorneys' fees. Id. ¶¶ 48 (allegedly unpaid overtime-First Cause of Action); 63 (allegedly missed meal periods-Third Cause of Action); 71 (allegedly missed rest periods-Fourth Cause of Action); 76 (alleged failure to pay all wages due upon termination-Fifth Cause of Action); 82 (alleged failure to pay wages within time provided under Labor Code-Sixth Cause of Action). For the one other alleged violation the alleged failure to provide complete and accurate wage statements Plaintiff seeks "the greater of

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the actual damages . . . or an aggregate penalty not exceeding [\$4,000] per employee," plus attorneys' fees. Id. ¶ 51 (alleged failure to provide accurate wage statements-Second Cause of Action).²

- 9. Plaintiff alleges he and other aggrieved employees are entitled to PAGA penalties covering the time period "from August 1, 2006 to the date of the resolution of this lawsuit." Id. ¶ 21. During this allegedly "relevant time period," Plaintiff claims that he "and other aggrieved employees consistently worked" more than eight hours in a day and forty hours in a week. Id. ¶ 44 (emphasis added). Plaintiff seeks recovery for the allegedly "unpaid wages at overtime wage rates and such general and special damages as may be appropriate" as well as the civil penalties (\$100 and \$200 penalties per pay period per aggrieved employee) available under PAGA. *Id.* at p. 14.
- 10. From August 1, 2006 to February 29, 2008, one or more of the Defendants collectively employed over 3900 non-exempt employees in California who, as non-exempt employees, fall within Plaintiff Chin's allegations of aggrieved employees. State Complaint ¶¶ 21-22. From August 1, 2006 to the end of February 2008, there have been approximately forty (40) pay periods for each of the allegedly aggrieved employees who were employed during that time frame. From August 1, 2006 until February 29, 2008, Defendants thus issued over 156,000 paychecks to their non-exempt California employees.
- 11. An analysis of Plaintiff's allegations regarding aggrieved employees' claims demonstrates that the amount in controversy requirement (\$5,000,000 in the aggregate, exclusive of costs and interest) is met:
- A. Overtime: Plaintiff's hourly rate as a "Loan Representative" was \$16.00. Under California Labor Code sections 510(a), the overtime premium for hours worked in excess of eight hours per day is one-and-a-half times the hourly rate, and twice the hourly rate for hours worked over twelve in a day (the "double time" premium).
 - B. Plaintiff alleges that he and other aggrieved employees "consistently worked"

In his Prayer for Relief for this cause of action, Plaintiff nonetheless seeks, in addition, the \$100 and \$200 penalties available under PAGA. Id. at p. 15.

more than eight hours per day, more than twelve hours per day, and more than forty hours per week. State Complaint ¶ 44. Even assuming that "consistently worked" means that only 10% of the over 3900 non-exempt employees worked overtime at least once per two-week pay period during the August 1, 2006 to February 29, 2008 time frame, then the potential PAGA penalties for such aggrieved employees, assuming \$100 per violation, would be more than \$1,500,000. (By making this and the other statements contained herein, Defendants in no way concede that such penalties are proper and that, even if liability is established, such penalties should not be reduced or not imposed at all per the Court's statutory discretion.) In his prayer for relief, Plaintiff also seeks "general unpaid wages at overtime wage rates and such general and special damages as may be appropriate." Although he provides no details regarding the amount of wages and damages he is seeking, these sums could be substantial.

C. Improper Wage Statements: Plaintiff claims that employees did not receive proper wages statements that included, for example, the social security number of the employees. State Complaint ¶ 50. The penalty that can be imposed for such violations is a maximum of \$4,000 per employee. *Id.* Assuming that approximately 500 employees received improper paychecks would lead to a recovery, at \$4,000 per employee, of \$2,000,000 in civil penalties. (By making this and the other statements contained herein, Defendants in no way concede that such penalties are proper or that the statutory aggregate limit does not apply class-wide or that, even if liability is established, such penalties should not be reduced or not imposed at all per the Court's statutory discretion.)

D. Missed Meal Periods: Plaintiff claims that employees did not receive legally mandated meal periods. State Complaint ¶ 57; see also ¶ 59. Assuming that only 10% of the over 3900 non-exempt employees were denied meal periods at least once per two-week pay period during the August 1, 2006 to February 29, 2008 time frame, then the potential PAGA penalties for such aggrieved employees, assuming \$100 per violation, would be more than \$1,500,000. (By making this and the other statements contained herein, Defendants in no way concede that such penalties are proper or that, even if liability is established, such penalties should not be reduced or not imposed at all per the Court's statutory discretion.)

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E. Missed Rest Periods: Plaintiff claims that employees did not receive legally mandated rest periods. State Complaint ¶¶ 67-69. Assuming that only 10% of the over 3900 non-exempt employees were denied rest periods at least once per two-week pay period during the August 1, 2006 to February 29, 2008 time frame, then the potential PAGA penalties for such aggrieved employees, assuming \$100 per violation, would be more than \$1,500,000. (By making this and the other statements contained herein, Defendants in no way concede that such penalties are proper or that, even if liability is established, such penalties should not be reduced or not imposed at all per the Court's statutory discretion.)

F. Non-Payment of Wages Upon Termination: Plaintiff alleges that he and other aggrieved employees were not paid, at the time of their termination of employment, for their allegedly worked overtime and missed rest and meal periods. State Complaint ¶ 74. Between August 1, 2006 and February 29, 2008, one or more of the Defendants collectively terminated the employment (voluntarily or involuntarily) of over 2100 employees. Assuming that these terminated employees were not paid all wages owing in their final paychecks, the PAGA penalties for such aggrieved employees would be over \$420,000 (over 2100 terminated employees at \$200 per violation).

- G. Failure to Pay Wages: Plaintiff alleges that he and other aggrieved employees were not timely paid for their allegedly worked overtime and missed rest and meal periods. State Complaint ¶ 81. Assuming that only 10% of the over 3900 non-exempt employees were not timely paid for each two-week pay period during the August 1, 2006 to February 29, 2008 time frame, then the potential PAGA penalties for such aggrieved employees, assuming \$100 per violation, would be more than \$1,500,000. (By making this and the other statements contained herein, Defendants in no way concede that such penalties are proper.)
- 12. Plaintiff also seeks attorneys' fees in addition to allegedly unpaid overtime, general damages, and PAGA penalties. State Complaint ¶¶ 48, 51, 63, 71, 76, 82. Without conceding that such fees are available, these requests for attorneys' fees on behalf of all allegedly aggrieved employees greatly increase the amount in controversy. Gibson v. Chrysler Corp., 261 F.3d 927, 942-43 (9th Cir. 2001) (prayers for attorney fees under statutes authorizing such fees

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count toward amount in controversy); Galt G/S v. JSS Scandinavia, 142 F.3d 1150, 1155-56 (9th Cir. 1998) (same). Indeed, in wage and hour actions, at least those that are settled, the amount of attorney fees is often 25% of the total amount made available for the employees. Muniz v. Pilot Travel Centers LLC, Case No. CIV. S-07-0325, 2007 WL 1302504, *4 n.8 (E.D. Cal. May 1, 2007).

Again, while Defendants do not agree that Plaintiff or other allegedly "aggrieved employees" are entitled to any recovery on any of the claims alleged, it is clear by adding up the various amounts set forth above that Plaintiff has put well over \$5,000,000 in controversy in this litigation in PAGA penalties alone.

The "Class Action" Requirement Is Met As PAGA Authorize Class Actions:

- 13. As defined in CAFA, a class action "means any civil action filed under rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or similar State statute or rule of judicial procedure authorizing an action to be brought by 1 or more representative persons as a class action." 28 U.S.C. § 1331(d)(1)(B).
- 14. Plaintiff purported to file the State Complaint under PAGA, which authorizes an "aggrieved employee" to bring a civil action "on behalf of himself or herself and other current or former employees" for the recovery of civil penalties. Cal. Labor Code § 2699(a).
- 15. By permitting an aggrieved employee to bring claims on behalf of others, PAGA thus authorizes an aggrieved employee to bring such claims as class actions. Indeed, rather than attempting to split claims as Plaintiff has done here, many plaintiffs have included PAGA claims as part of their claims asserted on behalf of a class of aggrieved employees. E.g., Swanson v. USProtect Corp., 2007 WL 1394485 (N.D. Cal. 2007) (Fogel, J.); Moore v. Genesco Inc., 2006 WL 2691390 (N.D. Cal. 2006) (Armstrong, J.). See also Dunlap v. Superior Court, 142 Cal. App. 4th 330 (2006) (PAGA claim brought as part of putative class action); Caliber Bodyworks, Inc. v. Superior Court, 134 Cal. App.4th 365 (2005) (plaintiffs filed class action seeking PAGA penalties).
 - 16. Moreover, nothing in the PAGA statute permits an aggrieved employee to

bring claims for damages on behalf of others. Instead, PAGA's reach is limited to recovery of penalties. As Plaintiff seeks, in addition to PAGA penalties, allegedly unpaid overtime wages and general and consequential damages "on behalf of all other aggrieved employees similarly situated," he evidently is proceeding under California's general statute permitting class actions. See Cal. Civ. Proc. Code § 382 (California's general class action provision permits a putative class action plaintiff "to sue . . . for the benefit of all"). Section 382 is indisputably a "State statute or rule of judicial procedure authorizing an action to be brought by 1 or more representative persons as a class action" as set out in the CAFA statute defining "class actions."

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Removal to this judicial district is proper under 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a) because it

The following constitute all of the process, pleadings, and other papers served on one or more Defendants in this action, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto and incorporated herein:

embraces the place where this action was originally pending, and removal to this division is

Exhibit A: Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act Complaint

Exhibit B: Summons

proper because the case was commenced in Alameda County.

Exhibit C: Civil Case Cover Sheet and Addendum

Exhibit D: Notice of Judicial Assignment for All Purposes

Exhibit E: Notice of Case Management Conference and Order

BASED ON THE FOREGOING, Defendants hereby remove this action, now pending in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Alameda, to the United States District Court for the Northern District of California.

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Attorneys for Plaintiff RONALD CHIN and all other aggrieved employees

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA FILED by fax

RONALD CHIN, individually, and on behalf of all other similarly situated, and as an aggrieved employee pursuant to the Private Attorneys General Act,

Plaintiff,

WACHOVIA FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., a North Carolina corporation; WACHOVIA MORTGAGE CORPORATION, a North Carolina corporation, WACHOVIA SERVICES, INC., a North Carolina corporation; WORLD MORTGAGE 19 | COMPANY, a Colorado corporation: WACHOVIA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE, INC., a New Jersey Corporation; WORLD SAVINGS, INC., a California corporation; WACHOVIA EQUITY SERVICING, LLC, a New Jersey limited liability corporation; WACHOVIA BANK, N.A. a business entity form unknown; WACHOVIA CORPORATION, a business entity form unknown; and DOES 1 through 10, inclusive,

Defendants.

1608368375 Case No.

LABOR CODE PRIVATE ATTORNEYS **GENERAL ACT**

COMPLAINT FOR:

- (1) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 510 and 1198 (Unpaid Overtime);
- (2) Violation of California Labor Code § 226(a) (Improper Wage Statements);
- (3) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 226.7(a) and 512 (Missed Meal Periods);
- (4) Violation of California Labor Code § 226.7(a) (Missed Rest Periods);
- (5) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 201 and 202 (Non-payment of Wages Upon Termination); and
- (6) Violation of California Labor Code § 204 (Failure to Pay Wages)

Jury Trial Demanded

COMPLAINT

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Plaintiff, an individual, alleges as follows:

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JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- This Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to the California Constitution, 1. Article VI, § 10, which grants the Superior Court "original jurisdiction in all causes except those given by statute to other courts." The statutes under which this action is brought do not specify any other basis for jurisdiction.
- This Court has jurisdiction over all Defendants because, upon information and belief, 2. each Defendant is either a citizen of California, has sufficient minimum contacts in California, or otherwise intentionally avails itself of the California market so as to render the exercise of jurisdiction over it by the California courts consistent with traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice.
- Venue is proper in this Court because, upon information and belief, one or more of the named Defendants resides, transacts business, or has offices in this county and the acts and omissions alleged herein took place in this county.
- California Labor Code §§ 2699 authorizes aggrieved employees to sue directly for various civil penalties under the Labor Code.
- 5. Plaintiff provided written notice by certified mail to the Agency and the Defendants of the specific provisions of the Labor Code alleged to have been violated, including the facts and theories to support the alleged violations.

THE PARTIES

- Plaintiff RONALD CHIN (hereinafter "Plaintiff") is a resident of Alameda County, in б. the State of California.
- 7. Defendant WACHOVIA FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. was and is, upon information and belief, a North Carolina corporation, and at all times hereinafter mentioned, an employer whose employees are engaged throughout this county, the State of California, or the various states of the United States of America.
 - 8, Defendant WACHOVIA MORTGAGE CORPORATION was and is, upon

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information and belief, a North Carolina corporation, and at all times hereinafter mentioned, an employer whose employees are engaged throughout this county, the State of California, or the various states of the United States of America.

- Defendant WACHOVIA SERVICES, INC. was and is, upon information and belief, a 9. North Carolina corporation, and at all times hereinafter mentioned, an employer whose employees are engaged throughout this county, the State of California, or the various states of the United States of America.
- 8 10. Defendant WORLD MORTGAGE COMPANY was and is, upon information and belief, a Colorado corporation, and at all times hereinafter mentioned, an employer whose employees are engaged throughout this county, the State of California, or the various states of the 10 United States of America. 11
 - Defendant WACHOVIA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE, INC. was and is, upon 11. information and belief, a New Jersey corporation, and at all times hereinafter mentioned, an employer whose employees are engaged throughout this county, the State of California, or the various states of the United States of America.
- 16 Defendant WORLD SAVINGS, INC. was and is, upon information and belief, a 12. California corporation, and at all times hereinafter mentioned, an employer whose employees are 18 engaged throughout this county, the State of California, or the various states of the United States 19 of America.
- 20 13. Defendant WACHOVIA EQUITY SERVICING, LLC was and is, upon information 21 and belief, a New Jersey limited liability corporation, and at all times hereinafter mentioned, an employer whose employees are engaged throughout this county, the State of California, or the 23 various states of the United States of America.
 - 14. Defendant WACHOVIA BANK, N.A. was and is, upon information and belief, a business entity form unknown, doing business, and at all times hereinafter mentioned, an employer whose employees are engaged throughout this county, the State of California, or the various states of the United States of America.

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15. Defendant WACHOVIA CORPORATION was and is, upon information and belief, a business entity form unknown, doing business, and at all times hereinafter mentioned, an employer whose employees are engaged throughout this county, the State of California, or the various states of the United States of America.

- Plaintiff is unaware of the true names or capacities of the Defendants sued herein under 16. the fictitious names DOES 1 through 10, but prays for leave to amend and serve such fictitiously named Defendants pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure § 474 once their names and capacities become known.
- 17. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that DOES 1 through 10 are the partners, agents, owners, shareholders, managers or employees of WACHOVIA FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., WACHOVIA MORTGAGE CORPORATION, WACHOVIA SERVICES, INC., WORLD MORTGAGE COMPANY, WACHOVIA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE, INC. WORLD SAVINGS, INC., WACHOVIA EQUITY SERVICING, LLC, WACHOVIA BANK, N.A. and/or WACHOVIA CORPORATION were acting on behalf of WACHOVIA FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., WACHOVIA MORTGAGE CORPORATION, WACHOVIA SERVICES, INC., WORLD MORTGAGE COMPANY, WACHOVIA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE, INC., WORLD SAVINGS, INC., WACHOVIA EQUITY SERVICING, LLC, WACHOVIA BANK, N.A. and/or WACHOVIA CORPORATION.
- 18. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that each and all of the acts and omissions alleged herein was performed by, or is attributable to, WACHOVIA FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., WACHOVIA MORTGAGE CORPORATION, WACHOVIA SERVICES, INC., WORLD MORTGAGE COMPANY, WACHOVIA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE, INC., WORLD SAVINGS, INC., WACHOVIA EQUITY SERVICING, LLC, WACHOVIA BANK, N.A. and/or WACHOVIA CORPORATION and DOES 1 through 10 (collectively "Defendants"), each acting as the agent for the other, with legal authority to act on the other's behalf. The acts of any and all Defendants were in accordance with, and represent, the official policy of Defendants.
 - 19. At all times herein mentioned, Defendants, and each of them, ratified each and every

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act or omission complained of herein. At all times herein mentioned, Defendants, and cach of them, aided and abetted the acts and omissions of each and all of the other Defendants in proximately causing the damages herein alleged.

20. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that each of said Defendants is in some manner intentionally, negligently, or otherwise responsible for the acts, omissions, occurrences, and transactions alleged herein.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 21. Plaintiff intends to seek penalties for violations of the California Labor Code, which are recoverable under <u>California Labor Code</u> §§ 2699 et seq. -Plaintiff is seeking penalties on behalf of the State of California of which 75% will be kept by the state, while 25% will be available to aggrieved employees. Plaintiff is alleging PAGA penalties from August 1, 2006 to the date of the resolution of this lawsuit.
- 22. At all times set forth, Defendants employed Plaintiff and other persons as non-exempt or hourly paid employees.
- 23. Defendants employed Plaintiff as a "Loan Representative," which is a non-exempt or hourly paid position, from on or about August 2006 to on or about February 2007, at Alameda County business locations.
 - 24. Defendants continue to employ non-exempt or hourly paid employees within California.
- Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that at all times herein 25. mentioned, Defendants were advised by skilled lawyers and other professionals, employees and advisors knowledgeable about California labor and wage law and employment and personnel practices, and about the requirements of California law.
- 26. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants knew or should have known that Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees were entitled to receive certain wages for overtime compensation and that they were not receiving certain wages for overtime compensation.
 - 27. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants knew or should

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have known that Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees were entitled to receive all the wages owed to them upon discharge.

- Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants knew or should 28. have known that Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees were entitled to receive complete and accurate wage statements in accordance with California law.
- Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants knew or should 29. have known that Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees were entitled to receive all meal periods or payment of one hour of pay at their regular rate of pay when they did not receive a timely uninterrupted meal period.
- 30. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants knew or should have known that Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees were entitled to receive all rest periods or payment of one hour of pay at their regular rate of pay when a rest period was missed.
- 31. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that at all times herein mentioned, Defendants knew or should have known that they had a duty to compensate Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees, and that Defendants had the financial ability to pay such compensation, but willfully, knowingly and intentionally failed to do so, and falsely represented to Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees that they were properly denied wages, all in order to increase Defendants' profits.
- 32. At all times herein set forth, the California Labor Code § 2699 was applicable to Plaintiff's employment by Defendants.
- 33. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code § 2699, "The Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act" (hereinafter "PAGA"), provides that for any provision of law under the Labor Code that provides for a civil penalty to be assessed and collected by the Labor and Workforce Development Agency for violation of the Labor Code, may, as an alternative, be recovered through a civil action brought by an aggrieved employee on behalf of himself and other current or former employees pursuant to procedures outlines in California Labor Code § 2699.3.
 - Pursuant to California Labor Code § 2699, a civil action under PAGA may be brought

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by an "aggrieved employee," who is any person that was employed by the alleged violator and against whom one or more of the alleged violations was committed.

- Plaintiff was employed by the Defendants and the alleged violations were committed against him during his time of employment and is therefore, an aggrieved employee.
- 36. Pursuant to California Labor Code §§ 2699.3 and 2699.5 an aggrieved employee, including Plaintiff, may as a matter of right amend an existing complaint to add a cause of action arising under Labor Code § 2699 only after the following requirements have been met:
 - a. The aggrieved employee shall give written notice (hereinafter "Notice") by certified mail to the Labor and Workforce Development Agency (hereinafter "Agency") and the employer of the specific provisions of the Labor Code alleged to have been violated, including the facts and theories to support the alleged violation.
 - b. The Agency shall notify the employer and the aggrieved employee by certified mail that it does not intend to investigate the alleged violation within thirty (30) calendar days of the postmark date of the Notice. Upon receipt of the Notice or if no Notice is provided within thirty-three (33) calendar days of the postmark date of the Notice, the aggrieved employee may amend an existing complaint within sixty days of receiving the Notice that the Agency does not intend to investigate the alleged violation, to add a cause of action pursuant to Labor Code § 2699 to recover civil penalties in addition to any other penalties that the employee may be entitled to.
- 37. Plaintiff provided written notice by certified mail to the Agency and the Defendants of the specific provisions of the Labor Code alleged to have been violated, including the facts and theories to support the alleged violations.
- 38. Plaintiff has, therefore, satisfied the requirements of California Labor Code § 2699.3 and may recover civil penalties, in addition to other remedies, for violations of California Labor Code §§ 201, 202, 204, 226(a), 226.7(a), 510, 512, and 1198.

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FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

Violation of California Labor Code §§ 510 and 1198

(Against all Defendants)

- 39. Plaintiff incorporates by reference and re-alleges as if fully stated herein the allegations set out in paragraphs 1 through 38.
- 40. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code § 1198 and the applicable Industrial Welfare Commission ("TWC") Wage Order provide that it is unlawful to employ persons without compensating them at a rate of pay either at one-and-one-half or two-times that person's regular rate of pay, depending on the number of hours worked by the person on a daily or weekly basis.
- 41. Specifically, the applicable IWC Wage Order provides that Defendants are and were required to pay Plaintiff and the other aggricood employees who worked more than eight (8) hours in a day or more than forty (40) hours in a workweek, at the rate of one-and-one-half times the regular rate for all hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours in a day or more than forty (40) hours in a workweek.
- 42, The applicable IWC Wage Order further provides that Defendants are and were required to pay Plaintiff and the other aggrieved employees who worked more than twelve (12) hours in a day, overtime compensation at a rate of two-times his or her regular rate of pay.
- 43. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code § 510 codifies the right to overtime compensation at one-and-one-half times the regular hourly rate for hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours in a day or forty (40) hours in a week or for the first eight (8) hours worked on the seventh day of work, and to overtime compensation at twice the regular hourly rate for hours worked in excess of twelve (12) hours in a day or in excess of cight (8) hours in a day on the seventh day of work.
- 44. During the relevant time period, Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees consistently worked in excess of eight (8) hours in a day, in excess of twelve (12) hours in a day, or in excess of forty (40) hours in a week.

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- During the relevant time period, Defendants willfully failed to pay all overtime wages 45. owed to Plaintiff and other aggricved employees.
- 46. During the relevant time period, Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees regularly performed non-exempt work in excess of fifty percent (50%) of the time, and were thus subject to the overtime requirements of California law.
- Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees the unpaid balance 47. of overtime compensation, as required by California law, violates the provisions of California Labor Code §§ 510 and 1198, and is therefore unlawful.
- 48. Pursuant to the civil penalties provided for in California Labor Code § 2699(f) and (g), the State of California, Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees are entitled to recover civil penalties of one hundred dollars (\$100) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for the initial violation and two hundred dollars (\$200) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for each subsequent violation, plus costs and attorneys' fees for violation of California Labor Code §§ 510, 1194 and 1198.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

Willful Violation of California Labor Code § 226(a)

(Against all Defendants)

- 49. Plaintiff incorporates by reference and re-alleges as if fully stated herein the allegations set out in paragraphs 1 through 48.
- 50. Defendants have intentionally failed to provide employees with complete and accurate wage statements that include, among other things, the social security number of Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees.
- Pursuant to California Labor Code §§ 2699(f) and 226.3, the State of California Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees are entitled to recover from Defendants the greater of the actual damages caused by Defendants' failure to comply with California Labor Code § 226(a) or an aggregate penalty not exceeding four thousand dollars (\$4,000) per employee, and an award of costs and reasonable attorney's fees.

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THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

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Violation of California Labor Code §§ 226.7(a) and 512(a)

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(Against all Defendants)

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At all times herein set forth, the California IWC Wage Order and California Labor 53. Code §§ 226.7(a) and 512(a) were applicable to Plaintiff's employment with Defendants.

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54. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code § 226.7(a) provides that no employer shall require an employee to work during any meal period mandated by an applicable order of the California IWC.

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55. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code § 512(a) provides that an employer may not require, cause or permit an employee to work for a period of more than five (5) hours per day without providing the employee with a meal period of not less than thirty (30) minutes, except that if the total work period per day of the employee is not more than six (6) hours, the meal

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Plaintiff incorporates by reference and re-alleges as if fully stated herein the material allegations set out in paragraphs 1 through 63.

At all times herein set forth, the applicable IWC Wage Order and California Labor Code § 226.7(a) was applicable to Plaintiff's and the other aggrieved employees' employment by Defendants.

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70. Defendants' conduct violates the applicable IWC Wage Order and California Labor Code 226.7(a).

71. Pursuant to the civil penalties provided for in California Labor Code § 2699(f) and (g), the State of California, Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees are entitled to recover civil penalties of one hundred dollars (\$100) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for the initial violation and two hundred dollars (\$200) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for each subsequent violation, plus costs and attorneys' fees for violation of California Labor Code § 226.7(a).

FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Violation of <u>California Labor Code</u> §§ 201 and 202

(Against all Defendants)

- 72. Plaintiff incorporates by reference and re-alleges as if fully stated herein the allegations set out in paragraphs I through 71.
- At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code §§ 201 and 202 provide that if an 73. employer discharges an employee, the wages earned and unpaid at the time of discharge are due

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and payable immediately, and that if an employee voluntarily leaves his or her employment, his or her wages shall become due and payable not later than seventy-two (72) hours thereafter, unless the employee has given seventy-two (72) hours previous notice of his or her intention to quit, in which case the employee is entitled to his or her wages at the time of quitting.

- 74. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees their wages, earned and unpaid, either at the time of discharge, or within seventy-two (72) hours of leaving Defendants' employ.
- 75. Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees their wages earned and unpaid at the time of discharge, or within seventy-two (72) hours of his leaving Defendants' employ, is in violation of California Labor Code §§ 201 and 202.
- 76. Pursuant to California Labor Code § 2699(f) and (g), the State of California, Plaintiff and the other aggrieved employees are entitled to recover civil penalties in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for the initial violation and two hundred dollars (\$200) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for each subsequent violation, plus costs and attorney's fees, for violations of the Labor Code §§ 201 and 202.

SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Violation of California Labor Code § 204

(Against all Defendants)

- 77. Plaintiff incorporates by reference and re-alleges as if fully stated herein the material allegations set out in paragraphs 1 through 76.
- At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code § 204 provides that all wages 78. earned by any person in any employment between the 1st and the 15th days, inclusive of any calendar month, other than those wages due upon termination of an employee, are due and payable between the 16th and the 26th day of the month during which the labor was performed.
- 79. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code § 204 further provides that all wages earned by any person in any employment between the 16th and the last day, inclusive of any calendar month, other than those wages due upon termination of an employee, are due and payable

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- 80. Additionally, California Labor Code § 204 provides that all wages earned for labor in excess of the normal work period shall be paid no later than the payday for the next regular payroll period.
- During the relevant time period, Defendants willfully failed to pay Plaintiff and the 81. other aggrieved employees the regular and overtime wages due to them, within any time period permissible by California Labor Code § 204.
- 82. Pursuant to the civil penalties provided for in California Labor Code § 2699(f) and (g), the State of California, Plaintiff and other aggrieved employees are entitled to recover civil penaltics of one hundred dollars (\$100) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for the initial violation and two hundred dollars (\$200) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for each subsequent violation, plus costs and attorneys' fees for violation of California Labor Code § 204.

REQUEST FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff requests a trial by jury.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Plaintiff, and on behalf of all other aggreeved employees similarly situated, prays for relief and judgment against Defendants, jointly and severally, as follows:

As to the First Cause of Action

- Ι. For general unpaid wages at overtime wage rates and such general and special damages as may be appropriate;
- 2. For pre-judgment interest on any unpaid overtime compensation from the date such amounts were due;
- 3. For reasonable attorneys' fees and for costs of suit incurred herein pursuant to California Labor Code § 1194(a);
- For civil penalties pursuant to California Labor Code § 2699(f) and (g) in the 4. amount of \$100 dollars for each violation per pay period for the initial violation and \$200 for each aggricved employee per pay period for each subsequent violation, plus costs and attorneys' fees

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for violation of California Labor Code §§ 510, 1194 and 1198; and

5. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem equitable and appropriate.

As to the Second Cause of Action

- 6. For all actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;
- 7. For costs of suit incurred herein;
- 8. For civil penalties pursuant to California Labor Code § 2699(f) and (g) in the amount of \$100 dollars for each violation per pay period for the initial violation and \$200 for each aggrieved employee per pay period for each subsequent violation, plus costs and attorneys' fees for violation of California Labor Code § 226(a); and
 - 9. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem equitable and appropriate.

As to the Third Cause of Action

- 10. For all actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;
- 11. For costs of suit incurred herein:
 - For civil penalties pursuant to California Labor Code § 2699(f) and (g) in the amount of \$100 dollars for each violation per pay period for the initial violation and \$200 for each aggrieved employee per pay period for each subsequent violation, plus costs and attorneys' fees for violation of California Labor Code §§ 226.7(a) and 512; and
 - 13. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem equitable and appropriate. As to the Fourth Cause of Action
 - 14. For all actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;
 - 15. For costs of suit incurred herein;
 - 16. For civil penalties pursuant to California Labor Code § 2699(f) and (g) in the amount of \$100 dollars for each violation per pay period for the initial violation and \$200 for each aggrieved employee per pay period for each subsequent violation, plus costs and attorneys' fees for violation of California Labor Code § 226.7(a); and
 - 17. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem appropriate.

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EXHIBIT B

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Notice of Judicial Assignment for All Purposes

Case Number: RG08368375

Chin VS Wachovia Financial Services, Inc. Case Title:

Date of Filing: 01/29/2008

TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

This case is hereby assigned for all purposes to:

Judge:

Lawrence John Appel

Department:

Address:

Administration Building

1221 Oak Street Oakland CA 94612

Phone Number:

(510) 267-6932

Fax Number:

(510) 267-1504

Email Address:

Under direct calendaring, this case is assigned to a single judge for all purposes including

Please note: In this case, any challenge pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure §170.6 must be exercised within the time period provided by law. (See Govt. Code 68616(i); Motion Picture and Television Fund Hosp. v. Superior Court (2001) 88 Cal.App.4th 488, 494; and Code Civ. Proc. §1013.)

IT IS THE DUTY OF EACH PLAINTIFF AND CROSS COMPLAINANT TO SERVE A COPY OF THIS NOTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL RULE 3,135.

General Procedures

All pleadings and other documents must be filed in the clerk's office at any court location except when the Court permits the lodging of material directly in the assigned department. All documents, with the exception of the original summons and the original civil complaint, shall have clearly typed on the face page of each document, under the case number, the following:

> ASSIGNED FOR ALL PURPOSES TO JUDGE Lawrence John Appel **DEPARTMENT 16**

Counsel are expected to know and comply with the Local Rules of this Court, which are available on the Court's website at:

http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/courts/rules/index.shtml and with the California Rules of Court, which are available at www.courtinfo.ca.gov.

The parties are always encouraged to consider using various alternatives to litigation, including mediation and arbitration, prior to the Initial Case Management Conference. The Court may refer parties to alternative dispute resolution resources.

Schedule for Department 16

The following scheduling information is subject to change at any time, without notice. Please contact the department at the phone number or email address noted above if you have questions.

- Trials generally are held: Tuesdays through Thursdays from 9:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Case Management Conferences are held: Initial Case Management Conferences: Tuesdays through Fridays at 9:00 a.m.
- Case Management Conference Continuances: Tuesdays through Thursdays at 9:30

 a.m.
- Law and Motion matters are heard: Mondays at 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
- Settlement Conferences are heard: Fridays at 10:00 a.m.
- Ex Parte matters are heard: Tuesdays and Fridays at 9:00 a.m.

Law and Motion Procedures

To obtain a hearing date for a Law and Motion or ex parte matter, parties must contact the department as follows:

Motion Reservations

Phone:

(510) 267-6932

Fax (510) 272-6171

Ex Parte Matters

Phone:

(510) 267-6932

Fax (510) 272-6171

Tentative Rulings

The court will issue tentative rulings in accordance with the Local Rule 3.30(c). Tentative rulings will become the Court's order unless contested. Tentative rulings will be available at:

- Website: www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/domainweb, Calendar Information for Dept. 16
- Phone: 1-866-223-2244

Dated: 02/01/2008

Executive Officer / Clerk of the Superior Court

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that the following is true and correct: I am the clerk of the above-named court and not a party to this cause. I served this Notice by placing copies in envelopes addressed as shown on the attached Notice of Initial Case Management Conference and then by sealing and placing them for collection, stamping or metering with prepaid postage, and mailing on the date stated below, in the United States mail at Alameda County, California, following standard court practices standard court practices.

Executed on 02/04/2008

Deputy Clerk

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